



GTA announces qualifying bidders for upcoming GAIT 2010 RFPs

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The Georgia Technology Authority has selected the external service providers (ESPs) who will receive the upcoming RFPs for Georgia Infrastructure Transformation (GAIT) 2010.

GTA intends to qualify the following ESPs to bid on the consolidation and outsourcing of infrastructure services, which include data centers, mainframes, servers, PCs and laptops:

- EDS
- IBM
- Northrop Grumman

GTA intends to qualify the following ESPs to bid on managed network services, which include the state's wide area network:

- AT&T
- EDS
- Northrop Grumman

GTA received 31 responses to the Request for Qualified Contractors (RFQC) issued January 29. The RFQC invited prospective service providers to submit responses for either or both service areas. The large number of responses to the RFQC demonstrates the high level of interest among ESPs in GAIT 2010.

The purpose of the RFQC is to ensure a manageable bidding process by pre-qualifying service providers who are interested in bidding on the RFPs. GTA will accept bids only from those who qualified under the terms of the RFQC.

Development of the RFQC and RFPs is a highly collaborative process involving key IT and business managers from 13 state agencies. They are carefully following state procurement procedures and other prescribed processes – including adherence to nondisclosure agreements – to ensure the integrity of the competitive bidding process.

Next Steps

- Release RFPs, competitive bidding – April through October 2008
- Transition to external service providers – November 2008 to March 2009

We expect 5-7 year contracts valued at a total of \$1.2-\$1.4 billion.

Current information about GAIT 2010 is always available on GTA's Web site at www.gta.georgia.gov/transformation.

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